

# JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Monday, December 2, 2013.

Met according to adjournment at half past ten o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato) the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pledge of allegiance.

### *Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives O'Connell of Taunton, Haddad of Somerset and Orrall of Lakeville) recognizing the city of Taunton's Lighting of the Green; and Taunton,—  
Lighting of  
the Green.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Provost of Somerville) congratulating M. Theresa Cardoso on her retirement from the Somerville School Committee; M. Thersea  
Cardoso.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

### *Petition.*

Representative Durant of Spencer and Senator Richard T. Moore presented a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3797) of Peter J. Durant and Richard T. Moore (by vote of the town) that the town of Dudley be authorized to grant property tax abatements to residents who are in the military and serving on active duty in a foreign country; and the same was referred to the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Dudley,—  
military tax  
abatements.

### *Reports of Committees.*

By Ms. Malia of Boston, for the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, on Senate, No. 911 and House, No. 1806, a Bill regarding rights of persons receiving services from program[sic] or facilities of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 3804). Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing. Mental  
health,—  
outdoor  
access.

By Ms. Khan of Newton, for the committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, on House, No. 113, a Bill creating a task force to protect Massachusetts children against child sexual abuse (House, No. 3803). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently. Children,—  
sexual abuse  
prevention.

Mental health patients,—  
release.

By Ms. Malia of Boston, for the committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse, on House, No. 1802, a Bill relative to the temporary release of persons under the care of the Department of Mental Health (House, No. 3805).

Concussion prevention.

By Mr. Sánchez of Boston, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1023 and House, No. 1887, a Bill relative to concussion prevention (House, No. 3806).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Arlington,—  
public art.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Arlington to establish a special account for the purchase, installation and maintenance of public works of art (Senate, No. 1794) [Local Approval Received]; and

House bills

Belmont,—  
liquor licenses.

Authorizing the town of Belmont to grant licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3656) [Local Approval Received];

Beverly,—  
liquor licenses.

Authorizing the city of Beverly to issue additional liquor licenses (House, No. 3739) [Local Approval Received];

Belmont,—  
liquor licenses.

Authorizing the town of Belmont to grant licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3780) [Local Approval Received]; and

Stoneham,—  
liquor licenses.

Authorizing the town of Stoneham to grant five additional special liquor licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3786) [Local Approval Received];

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

#### *Engrossed Bill.*

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the board of selectmen of the town of Milford to appoint the town treasurer (see House, No. 3740) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### *Order.*

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Next sitting.

*Ordered,* That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

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At twenty-one minutes before eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.